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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of one month is hereby requested with regard to a Final Office Action, which was mailed November 23, 2005.

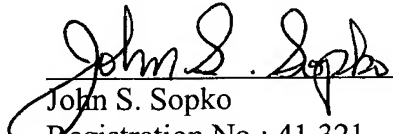
A one-month extension is respectfully requested, making the due date arch 23, 2006. The requisite fee in the amount of \$120.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 may be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if

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any, under 37 C.F.R § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

Respectfully submitted,


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